

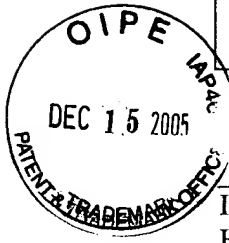
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**AMENDMENT SUBMITTED WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Applicants are filing the instant amendment and accompanying Request for Continued Examination and petition for an extension of time of three (3) months after receipt of the Notice of Appeal on August 2, 2005 by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.